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Dear [REDACTED]

According to our records the following is the chronology of Washington- [REDACTED] wire messages on Bulganin speech:

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[REDACTED] cable) - need full text Bulganin.

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[REDACTED] - check of [REDACTED] shows it about 2500 words short of full text. Deleted sections from first part of speech dealing with USSR internal affairs and are mostly statistics of production successes.

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[REDACTED] - contents [REDACTED] 071420 noted. However, full text Bulganin still required here. [REDACTED]

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As a result of the delay in receipt of full text here in Washington, the [REDACTED] ran it on two separate days and if you have examined the two Daily Reports in which it appeared I am sure you will agree with me that it would be a most disconcerting task for an analyst who thought he needed the full text to put all this together.

This brought about loud cries of dissatisfaction from some of our principal consumers. In addition the Director's office telephoned and asked that the full text of this speech be delivered to them immediately. It was therefore necessary for [REDACTED] and her assistants to spend an hour or two cutting and pasting in order to deliver the full text of the speech to the Director's office in rather rough condition. As a result of the numerous calls which we received expressing their dissatisfaction at the way in which we had published this speech in the two Daily Reports, we finally had [REDACTED] girls type the whole thing over again and ran it as a separate publication which was distributed to all consumers of the Daily Report as well as a few others. In all probability this could have all been avoided if either the full text had been originally filed or if it had been filed after [REDACTED] had received [REDACTED] cable asking for it.

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We of course trust the editorial judgment of the [REDACTED] almost without reservation but it seems to me that we should know from experience that important May Day and October Revolution speeches are going to have to be run in full text and we might as well file them that way in the beginning. The second point is that it seems to me it is bad practice for a [REDACTED] to question Washington's judgment if a full text is wanted. There may be many reasons why the full text is needed in Washington which may not be apparent to people in the field. I don't know how fully you agree with my thinking on this subject but I think [REDACTED] erred badly in judgment in failing to send the full text after it had been ordered by Washington the first time.

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If you agree with me, I think you should direct this to the attention of the entire staff pointing out the confusion which this particular incident caused here, the fact that Washington may have many reasons for ordering a full text which may not be apparent to the field, and that in general important May Day and October Revolution speeches should habitually be filed in full text.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED] :eph

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